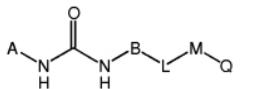


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1) (Previously presented) A compound of formula (I):

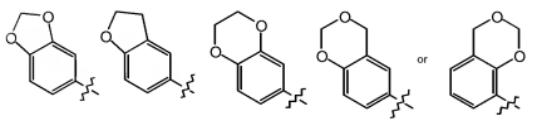


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wherein

A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

- (1) benzimidazolyl
- (2) 1,3-benzothiazolyl
- (3) 1,2,3-benzotriazolyl
- (4) 1,3-benzoxazolyl
- (5) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indolyl
- (6) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indenyl
- (7) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothienyl
- (8) 1H-indazolyl
- (9) 2H-indazolyl
- (10) 1H-indolyl
- (11) 2H-chromenyl
- (12) quinoxaliny or
- (13) a group of the formula



optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R¹, OR¹, S(O)_pR¹, C(O)R¹, C(O)OR¹, C(O)NR¹R², halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro;

B is phenyl, naphthyl or, pyridyl, or quinolinyl optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, C₁-C₅ linear or branched haloalkyl, C₁-C₃ alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C₁-C₃ alkylamino, C₁-C₆ dialkylamino, carboxyamide, halogen, cyano, nitro or S(O)_pR⁷;

L is :

- (a) -(CH₂)_m-O-(CH₂)_l-,
- (b) -(CH₂)_m-(CH₂)_l-,
- (c) -(CH₂)_m-C(O)-(CH₂)_l-,
- (d) -(CH₂)_m-NR³-(CH₂)_l-,
- (e) -(CH₂)_m- NR³C(O)-(CH₂)_l-,
- (f) -(CH₂)_m-S-(CH₂)_l-,
- (g) -(CH₂)_m-C(O)NR³-(CH₂)_l-, or
- (h) a single bond;

m and l are integers independently selected from 0-4;

M is a pyridine ring, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, C₁-C₅ linear or branched haloalkyl, C₁-C₃ alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C₁-C₃ alkylamino, C₁-C₆ dialkylamino, halogen, or nitro;:

Q is C(O)R⁴, C(O)OR⁴ or C(O)NR⁴R⁵:

each of R¹, R², R³, R⁴ and R⁵ is independently:

- (a) hydrogen,
- (b) C₁-C₅ linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
- (c) phenyl,

- (d) C_1 - C_3 alkyl-phenyl,
- (e) up to per-halo substituted C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl,
- (f) $-(CH_2)_q-X$, wherein X is a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic ring, containing at least one atom selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, which is saturated, partially saturated, or aromatic, or a 8-10 membered bicyclic heteroaryl having 1-4 heteroatoms which are O, N or S, or
- (g) $-(CH_2)_q-Y$, where Y is $C(O)R^6$, $C(O)OR^6$ and $C(O)NR^6R^7$;

each of R^6 – R^7 is independently :

- (a) hydrogen,
- (b) C_1 - C_5 linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
- (c) phenyl,
- (d) C_1 - C_3 alkyl-phenyl, or
- (e) up to per-halo substituted C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl;

each of R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , R^5 , R^6 and R^7 , other than per-halo substituted C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl, is optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl, up to perhalo substituted C_1 - C_5 linear or branched alkyl, C_1 - C_3 alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, C_1 - C_3 alkylamino, C_1 - C_6 dialkylamino, halogen, cyano, or nitro;

p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2; and

q is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of formula I or an oxidized derivative of formula I wherein one or more urea nitrogens are substituted with a hydroxyl group, or an oxidized derivative of formula I wherein the nitrogen atom of pyridine ring M is in the oxide form, or a methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, butyl, isobutyl, pentyl ester or phenyl C_1 - C_5 alkyl ester of formula I at a carboxylic acid group or amide group.

2) (previously presented) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-benzimidazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1H-benzimidazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl, or
A= 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl.

3) (original) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-benzimidazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxinyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,2,3-benzotriazolyl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
A= 1,3-benzoxazolyl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl.

4) (original) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-benzimidazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1H-benzimidazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,,
A= 1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, ,
A= 1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
A= 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

5) (previously presented) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl.

6) (original) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,

A= 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
A= 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl; and B= phenyl or
pyridinyl.

7) (previously presented) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 2H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1H-indazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl,
A= 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl or
A= 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl.

8) (original) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= 1H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2H-indazol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1H-indazol-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 1H-indol-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl,
A= 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or
A= 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

9) (previously presented) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= quinoxalin-2-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl or
A= quinoxalin-6-yl; and B= phenyl, pyridinyl or naphthyl.

10) (original) A compound of claim 1 wherein A and B follow one of the following combinations:

A= quinoxalin-2-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl, or

A= quinoxalin-6-yl; and B= phenyl or pyridinyl.

11) (original) A compound as in claim 1 wherein L is -O- or -S-.

12) (previously presented) A compound which is:

- N-methyl-4-[3-{{[(2-methyl-1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(1-acetyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{{[(6-(trifluoromethoxy)-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(6-fluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-{{[(6-fluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-{{[(6-(trifluoromethoxy)-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(5-chloro-1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(5-chloro-1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(6-chloro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-(2-chloro-4-[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[(5-[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)quinolin-8-yl]oxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-([(4,6-difluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl]amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-([(6-methoxy-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl]amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-([(1-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-1H-indol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
- 4-(4-([(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-([(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-([(1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-fluoro-4-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,4-difluoro-5-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-fluoro-3-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-fluoro-5-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-6-fluoro-4-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-methoxyethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-(4-{{(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl}amino}phenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-fluoro-4-{{(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl}amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{{(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl}amino}-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-chloro-4-{{(quinoxalin-6-ylamino)carbonyl}amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{{[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino}-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{{[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{{[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}-3-(trifluoro-methyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-{{[(4-methyl-2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-{{[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-{{[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-{{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]methyl]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-{{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]methyl]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-{{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{[(2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-[(2-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl]amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-({[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[4-{[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]-3-fluorophenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-{[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino]phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 5-[3-fluoro-4-{[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino]phenoxy]-N-methylnicotinamide
- 4-[4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-{[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(1,3-benzothiazol-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-{[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino]phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-{[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
- 4-(3-chloro-4-{[(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
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- 4-[3-chloro-4-{[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide;
- 4-[2-chloro-4-{[(1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
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- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{4-{[(1-(methylsulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-nitro-4-{[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[2-methyl-4-{[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,3-difluoro-4-{[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3,5-difluoro-4-{[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,5-difluoro-4-{[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{4-{[(2,2,3,3-tetrafluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide trifluoroacetate
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-{[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[3-fluoro-4-(((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-{{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino}-quinolin-8-yl]oxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{{(1H-indazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide dihydrochloride
- N-[2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-(((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-fluoro-4-((quinoxalin-2-ylamino)carbonyl)amino)phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[2-(dimethylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-(((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-methyl-4-(((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)-amino]phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- Methyl 4-[3-((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl)amino]carbonyl)-amino]phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxylate
- 4-[3-chloro-4-(((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-(((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{{(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-{{(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino}phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 5-[2-fluoro-4-((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylnicotinamide
- 4-[2-chloro-4-((2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[3-chloro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)-4-chlorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-chloro-3-({[(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)-3-fluorophenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-chloro-3-[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-({[(7-fluoro-2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- Methyl 4-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxylate
- Methyl 5-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]nicotinate
- 4-[2,4-dichloro-5-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-5-[4-({[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-phenoxy]nicotinamide

- 4-(4-[(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)-3-chlorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-chloro-4-([(6-fluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-8-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[2-methyl-4-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-nitro-4-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide 1-oxide
- 4-[3-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]-N-pyridin-3-ylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[3-([(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[3-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[3-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-pyridin-3-yl-4-[3-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[3-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[4-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-([(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl)amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- N-(2-piperazin-1-ylethyl)-4-[4-({{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-pyridin-2-yl-4-[4-({{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({{(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({{(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]N-(2-piperazin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2-methoxy-4-({{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{{(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino}-2-methoxyphenoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[2,5-difluoro-4-({{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3,5-difluoro-4-({{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-(aminocarbonyl)-4-({{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}-amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-(methylsulfonyl)-4-({{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[3-(methylthio)-4-({{(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[3-fluoro-4-({{(6-nitro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({{(6-nitro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-({{(4,6-difluoro-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({{(2-methyl-1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{{(2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-[4-({[(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-({[(2-methyl-2H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-{[(1-[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)-3-fluorophenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(2-methyl-1H-indol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[4-[(2-acetylpyridin-4-yl)oxy]phenyl]-N'-(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)urea
- N-[2-(dimethylamino)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}-aminophenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(2-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl]amino)phenoxy]methyl]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(3-[(1H-1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- Methyl 4-[3-{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxylate
- 4-(4-[(1H-1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-[(1H-indazol-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy)-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-methyl-4-[4-{[(2-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino]phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-{[(1-ethyl-2-methyl-1H-benzimidazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- Methyl 4-[4-{[(1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxylate
- 4-[2-chloro-4-{[(2,2,4,4-tetrafluoro-4H-1,3-benzodioxin-7-yl)amino]carbonyl}amino)phenoxy]-N-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-(4-[(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy)-N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 4-(4-((2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-ylamino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy)-N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-[3-(1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[4-((1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino)carbonyl]amino)-phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4-[4-((1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy]-N-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-cyclopropyl-4-[4-((1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-(cyclopropylmethyl)-4-[4-((1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy]-pyridine-2-carboxamide
- N-cyclobutyl-4-[4-((1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy]pyridine-2-carboxamide or
- Methyl-N-((4-[4-((1-methyl-1H-indazol-5-yl)amino)carbonyl]amino)phenoxy]pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl)glycinate.

13) (original) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises an effective amount of at least one compound of claim1 and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

14) (cancelled)

15) (previously presented) A method for treating or preventing breast cancer which is invasive ductal carcinoma, invasive lobular carcinoma, ductal carcinoma in situ, or lobular carcinoma in situ; cancer of the respiratory tract which is small-cell and non-small-cell lung carcinoma, bronchial adenoma or pleuropulmonary blastoma; brain cancer which is brain stem glioma, hypophtalmic glioma, cerebellar astrocytoma, cerebral astrocytoma, medulloblastoma, ependymoma, neuroectodermal or a pineal tumor; prostate cancer, testicular cancer, endometrial cancer, cervical cancer, ovarian cancer, vaginal cancer, vulvar cancer or sarcoma of the uterus;

anal cancer, colon cancer, colorectal cancer, esophageal cancer, gallbladder cancer, gastric cancer, pancreatic cancer, rectal cancer, small-intestine cancer or salivary gland cancer;

bladder cancer, penile cancer, kidney cancer, renal cancer, pelvis cancer, ureter cancer, or urethral cancer;

eye cancer which is intraocular melanoma and retinoblastoma.

liver cancer which is hepatocellular carcinoma, cholangiocarcinoma or mixed hepatocellular cholangiocarcinoma;

skin cancer which is squamous cell carcinoma, Kaposi's sarcoma, malignant melanoma, Merkel cell skin cancer, or non-melanoma skin cancer;

Head-and-neck cancer which is laryngeal / hypopharyngeal / nasopharyngeal / oropharyngeal cancer or lip and oral cavity cancer;

AIDS-related lymphoma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, cutaneous T-cell lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, or lymphoma of the central nervous system;

sarcoma of the soft tissue, osteosarcoma, malignant fibrous histiocytoma, lymphosarcoma, or rhabdomyosarcoma;

acute myeloid leukemia, acute lymphoblastic leukemia, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, chronic myelogenous leukemia, or hairy cell leukemia; in a human or other mammal comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1 and a cytotoxic agent or cytostatic chemotherapeutic agent.

16) (previously presented) A method for regulating the tyrosine kinase signal transduction pathway in a human or other mammal, comprising administering to said human or other mammal a compound of claim 1.

17) (previously presented) A method for regulating the VEGF-induced signal transduction pathway in a human or other mammal, comprising administering to said human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.

18) (cancelled)

19) (cancelled)

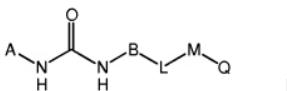
20) (currently amended) A method for treating or preventing one or more of the following conditions in humans and/or other mammals: tumor growth, retinopathy, ischemic retinal-vein occlusion, retinopathy of prematurity, age related macular degeneration; rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, a bolos disorder associated with subepidermal blister formation, including bullous pemphigoid, erythema multiforme, or dermatitis herpetiformis, comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.

21) (cancelled)

22) (previously presented) A method for regulating the VEGF-induced signal transduction pathway in a human or other mammal, comprising administering to said human or other mammal a compound of claim 12.

23) (cancelled)

24) (previously presented) A compound of formula (I):



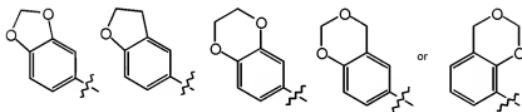
wherein

Q is C(O)R⁴, C(O)OR⁴ or C(O)NR⁴R⁵;

wherein A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

- (1) benzimidazol-5-yl
- (2) benzimidazol-6-yl
- (3) 1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl
- (4) 1,3-benzothiazol-5-yl

- (5) 1,3-benzothiazol-6-yl
- (6) 1,2,3-benzotriazol-5-yl
- (7) 1,3-benzoxazol-2-yl
- (8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
- (9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
- (10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
- (11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl
- (12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
- (13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
- (14) 1H-indazol-5-yl
- (15) 2H-indazol-5-yl
- (16) 1H-indazol-6-yl
- (17) 1H-indol-5-yl
- (18) 2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl
- (19) 1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
- (20) quinoxalin-2-yl
- (21) quinoxalin-6-yl, or
- (22) a group of the formula



optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R¹, OR¹, S(O)_pR¹, C(O)R¹, C(O)OR¹, C(O)NR¹R², halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro

B is phenyl, optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, C₁-C₅ linear or branched haloalkyl, C₁-C₃ alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, C₁-C₃ alkylamino, C₁-C₆ dialkylamino, carboxyamide, halogen, cyano, nitro or S(O)_pR⁷;

L is :

- (a) $-(\text{CH}_2)_m-\text{O}-(\text{CH}_2)_l-$,
- (b) $-(\text{CH}_2)_m-(\text{CH}_2)_l-$,
- (c) $-(\text{CH}_2)_m-\text{C}(\text{O})-(\text{CH}_2)_l-$,
- (d) $-(\text{CH}_2)_m-\text{NR}^3-(\text{CH}_2)_l-$,
- (e) $-(\text{CH}_2)_m-\text{NR}^3\text{C}(\text{O})-(\text{CH}_2)_l-$,
- (f) $-(\text{CH}_2)_m-\text{S}-(\text{CH}_2)_l-$,
- (g) $-(\text{CH}_2)_m-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NR}^3-(\text{CH}_2)_l-$, or
- (h) a single bond;

m and l are integers independently selected from 0-4;

M is a pyridine ring, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_5$ linear or branched alkyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_5$ linear or branched haloalkyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3$ alkoxy, hydroxy, amino, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3$ alkylamino, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ dialkylamino, halogen, or nitro;.

Q is $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}^4$, $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OR}^4$ or $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NR}^4\text{R}^5$:

each of R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 and R^5 , is independently:

- (a) hydrogen,
- (b) $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_5$ linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
- (c) phenyl,
- (d) $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3$ alkyl-phenyl,
- (e) up to per-halo substituted $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_5$ linear or branched alkyl,
- (f) $-(\text{CH}_2)_q\text{-X}$, wherein X is a 5 or 6 membered heterocyclic ring, containing at least one atom selected from oxygen, nitrogen and sulfur, which is saturated, partially saturated, or aromatic, or a 8-10 membered bicyclic heteroaryl having 1-4 heteroatoms which are O, N or S, or
- (g) $-(\text{CH}_2)_q\text{-Y}$, where Y is $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}^6$, $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OR}^6$ and $\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NR}^6\text{R}^7$;

each of $\text{R}^6 - \text{R}^7$ is independently :

- (a) hydrogen,

- (b) C₁-C₅ linear, branched, or cyclic alkyl,
- (c) phenyl,
- (d) C₁-C₃ alkyl-phenyl, or
- (e) up to per-halo substituted C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl;

each of R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶ and R⁷, other than per-halo substituted C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, is optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents which are independently C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, up to perhalo substituted C₁-C₅ linear or branched alkyl, C₁-C₃ alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy, amino, C₁-C₃ alkylamino, C₁-C₆ dialkylamino, halogen, cyano, or nitro;

p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2; and

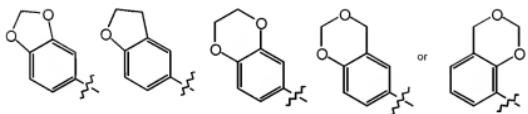
q is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, or 4,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of formula I or an oxidized derivative of formula I wherein one or more urea nitrogens are substituted with a hydroxyl group, or an oxidized derivative of formula I wherein the nitrogen atom of pyridine ring M is in the oxide form, or a methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, butyl, isobutyl, pentyl ester or phenyl C₁-C₅ alkyl ester of formula I at a carboxylic acid group or amide group.

25) (original) A compound of claim 24 wherein A is selected from

- (1) benzimidazol-5-yl
- (2) benzimidazol-6-yl
- (8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
- (9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
- (10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
- (11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl
- (12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
- (13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
- (14) 1H-indazol-5-yl

- (15) 2H-indazol-5-yl
- (16) 1H-indazol-6-yl
- (17) 1H-indol-5-yl
- (18) quinoxalin-2-yl
- (19) quinoxalin-6-yl, and
- (20) a group of the formula



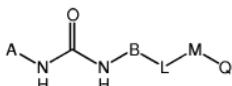
26) (original) A compound of claim 24 wherein the optional substituents on bicyclic heterocycle A are independently R¹, OR¹, and halogen.

27) (previously presented) A compound as in claim 26 wherein B is phenyl optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are halogen.

28) (original) A compound of claim 27 wherein L is -O-.

29) (original) A compound of claim 28 wherein Q is C(O)NR⁴R⁵ and each of R⁴ and R⁵ is independently hydrogen or C₁-C₅ alkyl.

30) (previously presented) A compound of formula (I):



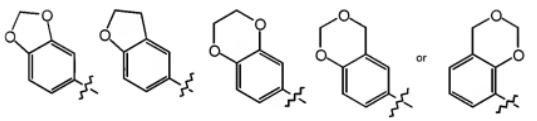
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wherein

A is a bicyclic heterocycle which is:

- (1) benzimidazol-5-yl

- (2) benzimidazol-6-yl
- (8) 1,3-benzoxazol-6-yl
- (9) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-5-yl
- (10) 2,3-dihydro-1H-indol-6-yl
- (11) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-4-yl
- (12) 2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-5-yl
- (13) 1,1-dioxido-2,3-dihydro-1-benzothien-6-yl
- (14) 1H-indazol-5-yl
- (15) 2H-indazol-5-yl
- (16) 1H-indazol-6-yl
- (17) 1H-indol-5-yl
- (18) quinoxalin-2-yl
- (19) quinoxalin-6-yl, and
- (20) a group of the formula



optionally substituted with 1-4 substituents which are independently R¹, OR¹, S(O)_pR¹, C(O)R¹, C(O)OR¹, C(O)NR¹R², halogen, oxo, cyano, or nitro

B is phenyl, optionally substituted with halogen,

L is -O-,

M is a pyridine ring substituted only with Q,

Q is C(O)NHR⁵ and R⁵ is independently hydrogen or C₁-C₅ alkyl,

and p is an integer selected from 0, 1, or 2

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of formula I or an oxidized derivative of formula I wherein one or more urea nitrogens are substituted with a hydroxyl group, or an oxidized derivative of formula I wherein the nitrogen atom of pyridine ring M is in the oxide form, or a methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, butyl, isobutyl, pentyl ester or phenyl C₁-C₅ alkyl ester of formula I at a carboxylic acid group or amide group.

31) (new) A method for treating or preventing tumor growth mediated by raf comprising administering to a human or other mammal in need thereof a compound of claim 1.